

CITY HALL CONNECTION

OCTOBER 2024

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ON THE BALLOT FOR NOVEMBER - LOCAL CANDIDATES

City Council- 2 Seats Available

Steve O'Halloran
John Linnehan
Cale Roberts
Tabatha White
Robert McKenney

Library Trustee- 2 Seats Available

S. Craig MacDonald
Vivek Philip

School Board Member- 1 Seat Available

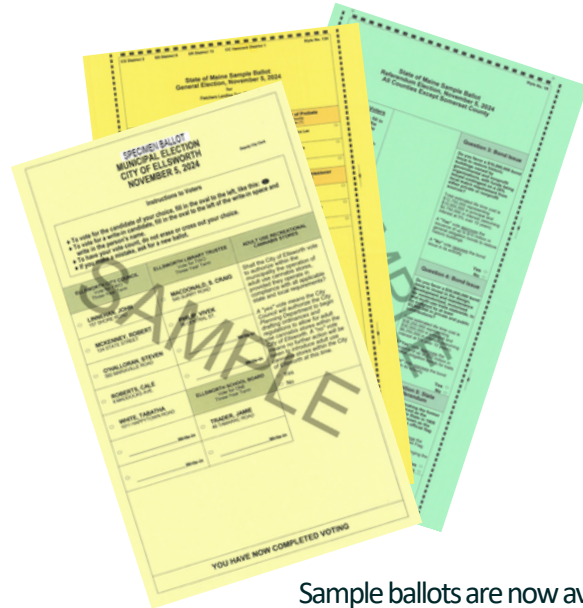
Jamie Trader

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee Voting now open for all Ellsworth and Fletcher's Landing residents during regular City Hall business hours. Visit our [elections webpage](#) for sample ballots and details on how and where to vote. Polls will be open from 8AM to 8PM on election day.

MEET THE CANDIDATES 2024

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15
6:30 PM
THE GRAND THEATER
Presented by Ellsworth American,
Heart of Ellsworth and the City of
Ellsworth.



Sample ballots are now available for viewing on our Elections webpage.

TAX BILL REMINDER

Interest will begin accruing after October on Real Estate and Personal Property Tax bills. Please don't hesitate to contact the Tax Office staff at (207)667-2563. They will address any questions or concerns you may have regarding your bill.

Payments can be done in-person at City Hall with cash, check, or credit/debit card. Payments by credit/debit card have an additional 2.5% fee. Check payments can be mailed to the Tax Office at City Hall.

CITY HALL HOURS

Monday - Wednesday: 8 AM - 5 PM
Thursday: 8 AM - 6:30 PM
Friday: 8 AM - 12:30 PM

CITY HALL

1 City Hall Plaza
Ellsworth, ME 04605

NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 21st at 6pm in the Council Chamber at City Hall.
Available to stream online through the City of Ellsworth YouTube and Facebook.
Check the City website for the latest updates and meeting agenda.

RECENT EVENTS



On August 29 City Manager Charlie Pearce and Harbormaster Adam Wilson guided three representatives from the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) on a trip down Ellsworth's Union River to explore a potential dredging project to improve navigation along the channel from the Union River Bay to Ellsworth's Harbor Park and Marina.

In September, USACE continued to research the channel and conducted a survey of the channel, and proceed with sampling of sediment cores, benthic samples of the CAD cell.



Red Bridge Road is now open! R.F. Jordan Construction completed the culvert replacement project last week.



We are pleased to announce the promotion of several Police Department employees! These promotions are a testament to their commitment to the Ellsworth Police Department, law enforcement, and the community.

Congratulations to the following employees on their well-earned promotions:

David Lord- Captain

Kelvin Mote- Sergeant

McKay McLean- Corporal

Sergeant Mote and Corporal McLean were sworn in Sept. 30, 2024 with their families and members of the Police Department present. Captain Lord was sworn in at an earlier date.



Franklin Street Parklet had a fresh floral update for Autumn! Grab lunch and check it out!

OCTOBER DONATION DRIVE



How to Donate:

Help us fill the table in the Ellsworth City Hall lobby!

When you drop-off a donation you can be entered into a raffle to win a *\$25 gift card!*

Suggested Donations:

- Books
- Board Games
- Sudoku
- Work books for the mind
- Cookbooks
- Puzzles
- Cross words
- Craft items

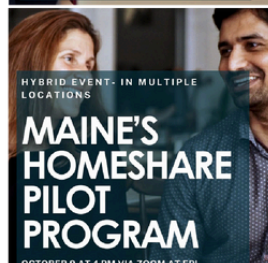
SILENT AUCTION RETURNS IN NOVEMBER

The City of Ellsworth would like to invite you to participate in a Silent Auction! The Auction will be held during the month of November; all proceeds will be used to replenish the City of Ellsworth's Christmas for Kids fund. Each year the City assists roughly 80-100 children who may not otherwise receive a gift and experience the Joy of the Holidays. We budget for \$60 per child. In recent years, many children have received most of their wish lists thanks to generous donations, and proceeds from events such as this. If you have an item to donate please contact the City Clerks Office before Oct. 31. Bidding starts Nov. 1!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY?

ELLSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

ellsworthlibrary.net



INSTRUMENT PETTING ZOO ON 10/5 AT 10 AM

The Library is hosting ECMI's popular event for the Art of Ellsworth Festival.

READING DRAGONS & FRIENDS ON 10/5

Between 2 - 4 PM we are kicking 1 of our 3 Kids' Reading Programs this fall! For more information, please visit our website.

LUNCH 'N LEARN ON 10/9 AT 11 AM

Join us and our local partners for a free Tech Support Lunch at the Moore Center. Please RSVP through Adult Ed's website.

HOME SHARING EVENT ON 10/9 AT 4 PM

This hybrid event is spearheaded by Healthy Peninsula and focuses on how to tackle Maine's housing shortage! Please RSVP!

WE'RE HIRING!

Are you looking for a rewarding career where you can make a real impact in our community? The City of Ellsworth is hiring! Join our team and be a part of creating positive change in a dynamic and growing city. Whether you're passionate about public service, skilled in administration, or looking for hands-on work, we have opportunities for you. Apply today and help shape the future of Ellsworth!

Current opportunities:

FIREFIGHTER/EMT
WASTEWATER OPERATOR
DEPUTY CITY CLERK/REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
UTILITIES COORDINATOR

WHERE CAN I RECYCLE ...?

Green Ellsworth Waste Management Action Team put together a list of places that certain recyclable/reusable items can be taken.

Thank you Green Ellsworth!

Plastic Bags/ Plastic Film:

Hannafords, 225 High Street Ellsworth, Maine 04605

Shaw's, 175 High Street Ellsworth, Maine 04605

Paint:

Sherwin-Williams, 43 Downeast Hwy Ellsworth, Maine, 04605

Mercury Lamps:

Hammond Lumber, 261 State Street Ellsworth, Maine 04605

Mercury Thermostats:

Bangor Pipe And Supply, 55 Foster Street Ellsworth, Maine 04605

Computer Equipment:

Ellsworth Goodwill Store, 15 Downeast Highway Ellsworth, Maine 04605

Textiles/Clothing:

Ellsworth YMCA (Apparel Impact bin), 238 State Street Ellsworth, Maine 04605

Crazy Sumo (Apparel Impact bin), 75 High Street Ellsworth, Maine 04605

Ellsworth Marketplace (Apparel Impact bin), 100 Downeast HWY Ellsworth, ME 04605

2024 CITY REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULES

City Council - Regular meetings are the 3rd Monday of each month at 6 PM in the Council Chamber.

JANUARY 8*	JULY 15
FEBRUARY 12*	AUGUST 19
MARCH 18	SEPTEMBER 16
APRIL 15	OCTOBER 21
MAY 20	NOVEMBER 18
JUNE 17	DECEMBER 16

*January and February meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday of the month due to the observance of Holidays on the regularly scheduled 3rd Monday of the month.

Finance Committee - 8 AM every Friday.

BIG FINANCE FRIDAY - 2nd Friday of each month at 8 AM

Planning Board - 1st Wednesday of each month at 5:30 PM.

Board of Appeals - 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 PM, held as necessary.

Recreation Commission - 3rd Tuesday of each month at 8:30 AM.

Historic Preservation Commission - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 4 PM.

Arbor Commission - 1st Monday of each month at 8:15 AM.

Harbor Commission - 4th Wednesday of each month at 6 PM.

Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee - 4th Monday of each month at 5:30 PM.

School Board - 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 PM (except June).

School Board Workshops - 4th Tuesday of each month at 6 PM.

Library Board of Trustees - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Library.

Visit the City of Ellsworth website or call City Hall for the most up-to-date information on meetings and to learn of changes or cancellations.

BIG FINANCE FRIDAYS

Join us as we review the year-to-date budget performance. Every second Friday of the month will be used to examine the current actuals, broken down by department, and we would love for you to watch in-person or online at 8:00am!